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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549



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NOTICE OF SALE OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO REGULATION D, SECTION 4(6), AND/OR UNIFORM LIMITED OFFERING EXEMPTION

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Name of Offering (check if this is an amendment and name has changed, and indicate change.) Lehman Brothers Merchant Banking Partners III L.P.					
Filing Under (Check box(es) that apply): Rule 504 Rule 505 Rule 506	Section 4(6) LILOE				
Type of Filing: New Filing Amendment					
A. BASIC IDENTIFICATION DATA	RECEIVE				
Enter the information requested about the issuer					
Name of Issuer (check if this is an amendment and name has changed, and indicate change.) Lehman Brothers Merchant Banking Partners III L.P. (the "Partnership")	NO V 5 2004				
Address of Executive Offices (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code) Lehman Brothers Inc., 399 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10022	Telephtone Number (Including Area Code) (212) 526-7000				
Address of Principal Business Operations (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code) (if different from Executive Offices)	Telephone Number (Hicking Area Code)				
Brief Description of Business An investment vehicle formed to make private equity investments primarily in a Western Europe.	niddle-market companies in North America and				
Type of Business Organization corporation limited partnership, already formed other (please specify):	FO.D.				
business trust limited partnership, to be formed Month Year	———PROCEER				
Actual or Estimated Date of Incorporation or Organization: 1 2 0 3	PROCESSE B NOV 1 5 2004 I HONISON FINANCIAL				
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Who Must File: All issuers making an offering of securities in reliance on an exemption under Regulation D or Section 4(6), 17	CFR 230.501 et seq. or 15 U.S.C. 77d(6).				
When to File: A notice must be filed no later than 15 days after the first sale of securities in the offering. A notice is deemed fil (SEC) on the earlier of the date it is received by the SEC at the address given below or, if received at that address after the date of states registered or certified mail to that address.					
Where to File: U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549.					
Copies Required: Five (5) copies of this notice must be filed with the SEC, one of which must be manually signed. Any copies signed copy or bear typed or printed signatures.	not manually signed must be photocopies of the manually				
information Required: A new filing must contain all information requested. Amendments need only report the name of the issuequested in Part C, and any material changes from the information previously supplied in Parts A and B. Part E and the Appendix					
Filing Fee: There is no federal filing fee.					
State:					
This notice shall be used to indicate reliance on the Uniform Limited Offering Exemption (ULOE) for sales of securities in those form. Issuers relying on ULOE must file a separate notice with the Securities Administrator in each state where sales are to be, is a precondition to the claim for the exemption, a fee in the proper amount shall accompany this form. This notice shall be filed the Appendix to the notice constitutes a part of this notice and must be completed.	or have been made. If a state requires the payment of a fee				
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Failure to file notice in the appropriate states will not result in a loss of the federal exemption. Conversely, failure to file the appropriate federal notice will not result in a loss of an available state exemption unless such exemption is predicated on the filing of a federal notice.

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B. INFORMATION ABOUT OFFERING 1. Has the issuer sold, or does the issuer intend to sell, to non-accredited investors in this offering?										ion or	YES \$1,000,0 YES	NO NO		
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(Use blank sheet, or copy and use additional copies of this sheet, as necessary.)

1.	Enter the aggregate offering price of securities included in this offering and the total amount already sold. Enter "0" if answer is "none" or "zero." If the transaction is an exchange offering, check this box and indicate in the columns below the amounts of the securities offered for exchange and already exchanged.				
	Type of Security	Aggregate Offering Price			Amount Already Sold
	Debt	\$	-0-	\$	-0-
	Equity	\$	-0-	\$	-0-
	Common Preferred				
	Convertible Securities (including warrants)	\$	-0-	<u> </u>	-0-
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	Partnership Interests Other (Specify)				
		\$	-0-	\$	-0-
	Total	\$ 1,00	00,000,000	3	265,500,000
,	Answer also in Appendix, Column 3, if filing under ULOE. Enter the number of accredited and non-accredited investors who have purchased securities in this offering and the				
••	aggregate dollar amounts of their purchases. For offerings under Rule 504, indicate the number of persons who have purchased securities and the aggregate dollar amount of their purchases on the total line. Enter "0" if answer is "none" or "zero." Accredited Investors	-	umber vestors 33	\$	Aggregate Dollar Amount of Purchases 265,500,000
	Non-accredited investors		-0-	\$	-0-
	Total (for filings under Rule 504 only)		NA	\$	NA
3.	Answer also in Appendix, Column 4, if filing under ULOE. If this filing is for an offering under Rule 504 or 505, enter the information requested for all securities sold by the issuer, to date, in offerings of the types indicated, in the twelve (12) months prior to the first sale of securities in this offering. Classify securities by type listed in Part C - Question 1.				
	Type of offering		ype of		Dollar Amount
	Rule 505	3	ecurity NA	\$	Sold NA
	Regulation A		NA	<u>\$</u>	NA NA
	Rule 504		NA	\$	
					NA NA
	Total		NA	\$	NA
4.	a. Furnish a statement of all expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities in this offering. Exclude amounts relating solely to organization expenses of the issuer. The information may be given as subject to future contingencies. If the amount of an expenditure is not known, furnish an estimate and check the box to the left of the estimate.				
	Transfer Agent's Fees		🖂	\$	-0-
	Printing and Engraving Costs		🛛	\$	110,000
	Legal Fees	•••••	🛛	\$	1,395,593
	Accounting Fees		🛛	\$	-0-
	Engineering Fees		🛛	\$	-0-
	Sales Commissions (specify finders' fees separately)		🛛	\$	85,000
	Other Expenses (identify)travel, telephone and misc.	*********	🛛	\$	30,000
	Total		🛛	\$ 1	,620,593

C. OFFERING PRICE, NUMBER OF INVESTORS, EXPENSES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

		offering price given in response to Part C - Question 1 and tota tion 4.a. This difference is the "adjusted gross proceeds to the					
	issuer."		•••••			\$ 998,379	,407
5.	purposes shown. If the amount for any purpos	is proceeds to the issuer used or proposed to be used for each se is not known, furnish an estimate and check the box to the d must equal the adjusted gross proceeds to the issuer set for	left of				
				D	nyments to Officers irectors & Affiliates		Payments to Others
	Salaries and fees			\$	-0-	_ <u> s</u>	-0-
	Purchase of real estate			\$	-0-	_ ⊠ <u>_s</u>	-0-
	Purchase, rental or leasing and installation of ma	achinery and equipment		\$	- 0-	⊠ s	-0-
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	offering that may be used in exchange for the as		K-21			K-24	
	issuer pursuant to a merger)				-0-	_ <u> s</u>	-0-
	Repayment of indebtedness			\$	-0-	_ <u> </u>	-0-
	Working capital			\$	-0-	_ <u> </u>	-0-
	Other (specify) <u>Investment Portfolio</u>			\$	-0-	<u> </u>	998,379,407
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	Column Totals			\$	- 0-	⊠ s	998,379,407
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		D. FEDERAL SIGNATURE					
an und	suer has duly caused this notice to be signed by the craking by the issuer to furnish to the U.S. Secu credited investor pursuant to paragraph (b)(2) of	the undersigned duly authorized person. If this notice if filed untities and Exchange Commission, upon written request of its state of the solution of the sol	nder R aff, th	ule 3 e info	75, the follow rmation furni	ing signati shed by th	are constitutes e issuer to any
Issuer	(Print or Type) an Brothers Merchant Banking Partners III	Signature Da	te				
Name	(Print or Type)	Title of Signer (Print or Type)					
Fred S	Steinberg	Vice President and Treasurer of Lehman Brothers Merc	hant E	anki	ng Associate	s III L.L.C	C.
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C. OFFERING PRICE, NUMBER OF INVESTORS, EXPENSES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute federal criminal violations. (See 18 U.S.C. 1001).